

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

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Notice of Modified Competitive Sale of Public Lands in Klamath County, Oregon (OR 53189)

SUMMARY: The following land is classified as suitable for modified competitive sale under Section 203 and 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1713 and 43 U.S.C. 1719, and Section 7 of the Taylor Grazing (43 U.S.C. 315f). The land will be sold at no less than the fair market value of \$11,600.00. The land will not be offered for sale until at least 60 days after this notice.

Willamette Meridian, T. 39 S., R. 12 E.

Section 27 SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$

T. 39 S., R. 12 E.

Section 34 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$

The above described land is hereby segregated from appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws, but not from sale under the above cited statutes, for 270 days or until title transfer is completed or the segregation is terminated by publication in the **Federal Register**, which ever occurs first.

This land is difficult and uneconomic to manage as part of the public lands and is not suitable for management by another Federal agency. No significant resource values will be affected by this disposal. The sale is consistent with BLM's planning for the land involved and the public interest will be served by the sale.

Purchasers must be U.S. citizens, 18 years of age or older, a state or state instrumentality authorized to hold property, or a corporation authorized to own real estate in the state in which the land is located.

Modified competitive procedures are being used pursuant to 43 CFR 2711.3-2. Bidding for this parcel is open to all qualified bidders; however, Glenn Barrett, grazing lessee, adjacent land owner and sale proponent, will be given the right to meet the highest bid received and purchase the property. To exercise the right to meet the high bid, Mr. Barrett must submit an initial bid for at least the minimum appraised price. Mr. Barrett must follow the sealed bid procedures described below. If his bid is not the high bid, he will be offered an opportunity to match the high bid. If he does not submit an initial bid, he will lose his right to match the high bid.

Sealed written bids, delivered or mailed must be received by the Bureau of Land Management Klamath Falls

Field Office, 2795 Anderson Ave. Building 25 Klamath Falls, OR 97603 prior to 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday March 24, 1999. Each written sealed bid must be accompanied by a bid deposit in the form of a certified check, postal money order, bank draft, or cashier's check made payable to the Department of the Interior, BLM. The bid deposit must be for at least 10 percent of the amount bid and enclosed in a sealed envelope clearly marked, in the lower left hand corner, "Bid for Public Land Sale OR 53189, Klamath County Oregon, March 24, 1999." *Personal checks are not acceptable.* The written sealed bids will be opened at 1:00 p.m. March 24, 1999 and an apparent high bidder declared. The balance of the purchase price must be paid within 180 days after the sale. If the balance is not paid by the required date, the deposit will be forfeited and the parcel may be re-offered to the public until sold or withdrawn from the market.

The mineral rights, except oil, gas and geothermal, are also being offered with the land. The high bidder will be required to pay a \$50.00 non-refundable filing fee for the mineral rights when paying the balance of the purchase price.

The terms, conditions, and reservations applicable to this sale are as follows:

1. A right-of-way for ditches and canals will be reserved to the United States in under 43 U.S.C. 945.

2. All oil and gas and geothermal resources in the land will be reserved to the United States in accordance with Section 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976.

3. The mineral interests being offered for conveyance have no known mineral value. A bid submitted will constitute an application for conveyance of the mineral estate, with the exception of the oil and gas and geothermal interests which will be reserved to the United States in accordance with Section 209 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976.

4. Patents will be issued subject to all valid existing rights and reservations of record.

5. The sale will be subject to such rights for public road purposes as Klamath County may have in Gale Road pursuant to R. S. 2477 (43 U.S.C. 932).

If land identified in this notice is not sold it will be offered competitively on a continuing basis until sold or until December 31, 1999. Sealed bids will be accepted at the Klamath Falls Field Office during regular business hours. All bids received will be opened on the first Wednesday of each month, beginning April 7, 1999. To be

considered, bids must be received by 10:00 a.m. on the day of bid opening.

Detailed information concerning the sale, including the reservations, sale procedures and conditions, and planning and environmental documents, is available at the Klamath Falls Field Office 2795 Anderson Ave. Building 25 Klamath Falls, OR 97603.

For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, interested parties may submit comments to the Area Manager, Klamath Falls Field Office at the above address. Objections will be reviewed by the District Manager who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action. In absence of any objections, this realty action will become the final action of the Department of the Interior. Questions should be directed to Tom Cottingham at the above address or by phone at 541/885-4135.

Dated: December 16, 1998.

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Acting Field Manager, Klamath Falls Resource Area.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Minerals Management Service****Announcement of Posting of Invitation for Bids on Crude Oil From Federal Leases and State of Wyoming Properties in Wyoming**

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Invitation for Bids on Federal and State of Wyoming crude oil in the State of Wyoming.

SUMMARY: The Minerals Management Service (MMS) will post on MMS's Internet Home Page, and make available in hard copy, a public competitive offering of approximately 3,810 barrels per day (bpd) of crude oil, to be taken as royalty-in-kind (RIK) from a combination of Federal properties and State of Wyoming (State) properties in Wyoming's Bighorn and Powder River Basins through an Invitation For Bids (IFB), Number 3984.

DATES: The IFB will be posted on MMS's Internet Home Page on or about January 4, 1999. Bids will be due to MMS and State of Wyoming, at the posted receipt location for both, on or about February 4, 1999. MMS and the State of Wyoming will notify successful bidders on or about February 12, 1999. The Federal Government and the State will begin actual taking of awarded royalty oil volumes for delivery to